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Bernice Billings, a graduate of the New England Hospital for Women and Children, Boston, Mass., has been appointed to succeed Miss Ross. Miss Billings has had post-graduate training at Johns Hopkins Hospital, has engaged in visiting nursing in Winchester, Mass., has done public health nursing with the Boston Bay Hygiene Association, and until her affiliation with the Red Cross, has been connected with the Massachusetts State Department of Health.

Florence Waters, who was sent to Europe in 1914 on the Red Cross ship Relief as a member of one of its nursing units, has recently returned to America for a three months' visit. Miss Waters has had an unusual experience during this long period, serving in various capacities and localities until her final assignment to the Paris office as assistant to Miss Fitzgerald. She has recently resigned from this position and will follow Miss Fitzgerald to the League of Red Cross Societies as her assistant there.

THE RED CROSS CAPE

The most conspicuous article of the nurse's equipment—the Red Cross cape with its scarlet lining,—has been the subject of much anxiety on the part of Red Cross officials, who have made every effort to secure its return and prevent its misuse. The tradition of active service is woven into its very fabric and for this reason its use should be restricted to this purpose. Many nurses have held on to it to the last moment, hoping against hope that they might be allowed to keep it. This little poem written and pinned by one of the nurses to a cape which has recently been returned, seems to express the sentiment felt by many nurses for this article, in quite a remarkable way.

GOOD-BYE

I'm handing in my cape to-day
With its lining bright and gay;
I've worn it hard; it served me well;
I'll miss it more than I can tell.
It kept me warm when winds blew cold,
There's a caress in every fold;
And o'er the uniform of white,
To me it was the prettiest sight!
It brought good cheer to the soldier's heart,
In the Great World's War it played its part;
But now with a tear and a heartfelt sigh,
To my Red Cross Cape I'll say "Good-bye."

A RESERVE—*Emma Peter.*